

**Lake/Sumter Branch AAUW
Board Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2024**

Roll Call:

Executive Committee:

Co-Presidents: Bonnie Weaver, Jennifer Thompson
Co-Presidents Elect: Betty Rohan, Sarah Reagan
Co-Membership: Leslie Flanders, Terri Slotterback
Co-Secretaries: Dee Sherman, Sandra Plano

Board Appointed Directors:

Public Policy: Susan Laluk, Elizabeth White

Operations Committees:

AAUW Funds: Diane Geach
Historian: Gay Birchard
Scholarship: Susan Gold
Webmaster: Linda Carpenter
Tech Trek: Sue Hanson-Otis
Other Members Attending:
Past President: Katie Haviland

Call to Order

1. Call to order on September 10, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at Fruitland Park Library.
2. Affirmed Quorum.
3. Motion to approve the minutes of the May General Meeting and the minutes from the Beacon College sponsorship was made by Elizabeth White and seconded by Dee Sherman. Unanimous adoption.

Reports of Officers

Presidents:

A donation of \$1200 was received from the Villages Theatre Company (via AAUW member Espy Walmsley) for Tech Trek.

The October 26th meeting will be held at Fish Hawk, since Allamanda is an early voting location. The General Meeting in November will be held at Allamanda.

Printed membership directories were discussed. Betty Rohan moved to order 100 printed Membership Directories. It was seconded by Sue Laluk.

Finance:

The operating Budget for Lake/Sumter AAUW 2024-2025 was presented by Jennifer Thompson. Elizabeth White made a motion to accept the budget and Leslie Flanders seconded it. Unanimous adoption.

Membership:

Leslie Flanders asked for two greeters at the front door of the recreation center and two greeters at the entrance to the room. Also, tables for membership at the door in an L-shape. In addition, six tables can be set up for various departments such as Membership, Tech Trek, Mah Jong, DEI, etc.

Terri Slotterback will be welcoming guests during the meeting.

We will continue to use the “chips” for table assignments.
Board members were asked to call AAUW members who owe dues.

Leslie Flanders is planning an AAUW fundraiser concert for late February or early March and asked for suggestions of venue for the concert.

Gay Birchard and Leslie Flanders proposed having small group meetings of about 10 members. A sign-up sheet was passed around for members who wish to host a small group in their homes.

Public Policy:

Elizabeth White has materials for the newsletter from the League of Women Voters of Florida regarding upcoming amendments on the November ballot.

Scholarship Committee:

Susan Gold presented the 18-carat gold bracelet donated by the Gold in Art jewelry store worth \$3600. Raffle tickets are \$10, and the drawing will be held in February 2025.

Discussion was held about setting up a booth at Market Night or the Farmers 'Market to sell tickets.

Tech Trek:

Sue Hanson-Otis is the new Tech Trek director.

Webmaster:

Over the past year, Linda Carpenter has been leading a team of volunteers who digitized 17 AAUW scrapbooks. Linda presented a demonstration of the website, highlighting the digitized archives. The project is ongoing, and scrapbook materials will be made available in the coming months. Archival materials will only be available to the members in the members section of the website accessed with a password, while scrapbook materials will be available for the public to view.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the September board meeting at 12:30 p.m. was made by Elizabeth White and seconded by Betty Rohan.

Respectfully submitted September 10, 2024.
Dee Sherman and Sandra Plano, Secretaries
Lake/Sumter Florida Branch AAUW